BUILDING ACTIVITY IN EASTERN CONNECTICUT

BUILDING AND BUSINESS. Reports on New Work Show a Letting

Up Characteristic of This Time of

Real estate transactions in the Con-citicut towns reported by The Com-retal Record for the past week are newhat larger than in the like week the previous year. The number sales for the week was 356 against last year, while mortgage loans aled \$522,218 against \$83,611 for last

Five new incorporations are reported for the week with authorized capital stock of \$102,000. The like week in 1914 there were five companies formed with capital stock of \$222,000 and in 1918 nine companies with capital stock

Petitions in bankruptcy last week numbered three, with assets of \$3,868 and liabilities of \$11,147, comparing with two petitions with assets of \$565 and liabilities of \$8,067, filed in the last

ek of August last year. During the past week building per-is were granted in the cities of New aven, Hartford, Bridgeport, Water-ury and Stamford to the number of 22, for buildings costing \$703,058, a ord considerably larger than in the like week of the years 1914 and 1912. The largest increase for the week is again found in Bridgeport, where a irge amount of factory construction

tracts awarded last week clude factory work in New Haven, Bridgeport, Waterbury and New Brit-sin, parish house and church addition n West Haven, residence work in New Iaven, Hartford, Stamford, Bridgeport and Greenwich, store and tenement ck in Norwich, and a number of o-family houses in New Haven, idgeport and Hartford.

Not a very large amount of new work is reported as is usually the case in the last week of August. Plans are being prepared for a factory in Bristol; also for apartment buildings in New Haven and Hartford, gymnasium addition in New Haven, business block in Fairfield block in Fairfield, garages in New Haven and frame clubhouse in Mil-ford. A number of tenement houses

Norwich had eight sales of real es-tate last week to one a year ago. The mortgage loans for the respective weeks were \$19,600 and \$2,500. In New London there were ten realty ales last week to six a year ago. For he past week the leans were \$28,500, and nothing last year.

BUILDING OPERATIONS IN NEW ENGLAND

Statistics of building and engineering operations in New England as compiled by The F. W. Dodge Company

Contracts to Aug. 25, 1915..\$114,619,000

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Contracts to Aug. 25, 1914. 117,306,000
Contracts to Aug. 25, 1913. 115,816,000
Contracts to Aug. 25, 1912. 131,530,000
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Contracts to Aug. 25, 1910. 108,285,000
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Contracts to Aug. 25, 1909. 103,535,000
Contracts to Aug. 25, 1908. 67,765,000
Contracts to Aug. 25, 1908. 67,765,000
Contracts to Aug. 25, 1907. 90,892,000
Contracts to Aug. 25, 1907. 72,336,000
Contracts to Aug. 25, 1904. 59,360,000
Contracts to Aug. 25, 1904. 59,360,000
Contracts to Aug. 25, 1903. 74,187,000
Contracts to Aug. 25, 1903. 86,488,000
Contracts to Aug. 25, 1901. 79,120,000

POOR MILKERS.

Will Be Weeded Out By the Modern

To feed, care for and milk several

lcuity in some cases the past season.
t is hoped that many will consider

the past

s which are unprofitable producers mean that time, labor and money

Dairymen.

TOWN SCHOOLS MUCH IMPROVED

General Repairs, New Ceilings, Plumbing and Heating Apparatus-Taftville Blocks Being Hustled-Contract for East Side House-New Residence at Norwich Town

The contract for the Fowler two-apartment house on East Main street has been awarded to Valentine Reich & Co., who were the lowest bidders. The plumbing contract goes to Rogler School Improvements.

The school work by the town school committee is nearing completion, pre-paratory to the opening of school af-ter Labor day. Changes at East Great Plain consisted of cellar cementing and

The changes at the Pearl street school include new maple floors in two rooms and total new plumbing. Changes at Falls school were new maple floors in the large room and one lower room, and new metal ceiling in the large room. The changes at the Yantic school include new hot air furnace, new playground in basement for stormy weath-

At the Broadway school there is new heating plant.

Mt. Pleasant street school has new metal ceilings and has been painted.

Laurel Hill school has had new painting, and the Greeneville schools have new cellings and new painting. At the Occum school general root repairs have been made and the same at the Taftville schools. The Bean Hill school has received

new painting and general repairs.

This places the town schools in good shape for the present.

Architect C. H. Preston has had this work in charge. Block Raised and Boarded.

The Graham block on Merchants' avenue in Taftville is being hustled by H. Blackledge & Co. The timber has arrived and the building is now raised and boarded. There will be three stores and four flats. The building is three stories in height. Architect C. H. Presson drew the plan.

Closing in Thompson Block. The Thompson block on the corner of Merchants' avenue and Hunter's avenue is being closed in preparatory to the interior work. This building is 45x88 feet and three stories high. Contractor George Allen is doing the work. Architect C. H. Preston has charge of

MIDDLETOWN.

The Joseph S. Annino Co. have been 73,336,000 awarded the contract for the mason 59,360,000 work for a new house in Middlefield 74,137,000 for Mr. Cahill. Henry Ehlers is the

& Shanley and heating to James J. places on Franklin square. The old Holland. The cellar and grading is front has been removed and a new now being completed by Casper Balley. front put in, the two sides converging on the door in the center. The plate glass for the big windows came or Tuesday. New metal ceilings and side walls are to be placed in the store, and the finish of the woodwork will be in mahogany. A new indirect lighting system will be installed and for the floor, Dutch red tile are to be laid. The firm has erdered up-to-date fixtures and the work will be completed in time for opening later in the month. in time for opening later in the month. Changed Into Dwelling.

One part of the Stedman buildings on Washington street, near Peck's Corner, that which was used for storage, has been made over into a dwelling house containing eight rooms and two halls. The entrance is at the right into a pleasant hall. Across the front is the living room, 18x22 feet, with bay window on the left, opposite a high window, these with two front windows give fine views on three sides. The fireplace with separate five is a pleasant feature.

ant feature.

At the right of the entrance hall is the dining room, which also has a pleasant bay window. The kitchen has high windows for ventilation and a built-in range. Upstairs every room has a wardrobe closet and each opens off the airy, spacious hall. There are cozy nooks for rest and work, and the enclosed sleeping porch in the rear has fine views of the hill back, also of meadow and stretches of road in other directions.

To Build Concrete and Brick Barn. The Standard Oil Co. is contem-plating the erection of a new brick and concrete barn to replace their present barn off Forest street and to make room for the new structure the old barn is to be moved across the street to property owned by T. H. El-dredge. The Redden Construction Co. has the contract for the moving of the barn and it is expected that the work will be started this week. The Standard Oil Co. will continue to use the barn until their new building is ready for occupancy. The new barn will probably be larger than the old structure and will have accommoda-At the new store of the new firm of Ring and Sisk, druggists, the altera-

Harry Moore has the contract to build a two-story addition, 6x21 feet, to the rear of the engine house, Riper 79,120,000 tract for the mason work for an en house on Highland avenue for Otto

The abundant crop makes it possible for every woman to lay in a supply sufficient to meet the needs of her famhave as yet canned enough fruits that they may open one jar each day, and they should not be satisfied until they have done so, especially if there are children in the family. Decide how many jars you

ing this fruit are known by every housewife. When peaches are scarce and consequently high in price many families cannot afford to buy them, but with the supply as it is this year the price is within the reach of all, and the fruit should be made use of in the many ways suited to the taste of the family, for abundant use of fruit contributes toward the maintenance of

Side Hills Should Be Covered. If you have been growing a culti-vated crop on any of the side hills be sure that they are covered with a crop been seen where no crop was growing Braeside Poultry Farm, Stroudsburg, and winter rains has caused a tremendous amount of surface soil to The ten leading Connecticut pens to mendous amount of surface soil to wash down into the lower fields, leav-ing the side hills very deficient in plant food for the coming year's crop. Such a condition should not exist and can be prevented if a cover crop is planted this fall. In most cases there is no better crop than winter rye. In cases where it is not desirable to have a ble to have a growth of roots and stub-ble, oats and barley can be used very satisfactorily. These last two, how-ever, will be killed with the first heavy frost of the fall so that in most cases they will not be as satisfactory as the rye. Seed at least 1 1-2 bushels of rye

EGG LAYING CONTEST NEARING THE FINISH.

The Five Leading Pens at Storrs are

each other or less than a week's lay for any of them. During the past week the Vermont pen of Rhode Island Reds moved from sixth place up to third and a Connecticut pen of Leg-horns from Redding Ridge moved from

All pens taken together produced 3358 eggs in the forty-third week. Tom Barron's pen of English Leghorns won first honors for the period with 53 eggs to their credit. P. G. Platt's birds from Wallingford, Pa., were a close

Work Started on New Bath Houses or Easterly Place, Ocean Beach.

bath-houses to be built at Ocean Beach for Goldberg & Weiner. It is planned to erect 150 on the lot on Easterly place at the rear of Clifford's pavilion. The work on the bath-house con-struction is of such a character that

struction is of such a character that it can be rushed right along to completion and it is expected that these bath-houses will be completed and ready for use in about two weeks. Though there has been considerable talk of opposition in the form of legal action to the erection of these bath-houses nothing has been done. The claim has been advanced that the city in allowing the erection of additional bath-houses at the beach would be imposing an injustice on A. H. Wilbe imposing an injustice on A. H. Wil-kinson, lessee of the bathing pavilion owned by the city.

owned by the city.

P. J. Clifford, proprietor of Clifford's pavilion, that he is to erect 300 bath-houses in the plot of land at the rear of his pavilion. Mr. Clifford said that he will not have these houses erected until next season. Contemplated Changes at Old Y. M. C. A. Building.

It is reported on good authority that an offer of \$25,000, made by H. D. Bar-rows, for the old Y. M. C. A. property will be accepted. It is understood that will be accepted. It is understood that it is Mr. Barrows' intention to raise the building one story and put in at-tractive stores on the street floor. The old building will, it is said, be remodeled into a modern structure.

SOUTH MANCHESTER.

the contract for the erection of the new bungalow at Manchester Green for James Robinson, Foster street. It will be 26x36 feet, of frame construction, and will contain six rooms, with furnace heat, electric light, mantel and fireplace. The owner will let the contract for the heating. Walter R. Hobby has been awarded waiter R. Hobby has been awarded the contract for the new residence to be erected at Manchester Green for Ernest Newcomb, Strant street. It will be 25x26 feet, of frame construc-

tion, and will contain six rooms with hot water heat, electric lights and hardrood finish. Behnfield & Schultz have been awarded the contract for a frame residence to be erected on South Main street, near the Glastonbury line, for Russell Tryon. The foundation is now being completed.

The new bungalow being erected on Henry street for Charles Hall is now about ready to lath. Thomas G. Wright is finishing James Harrison's new house on Russell street. John Mahoney did the mason work. Walter R. Hobby has just completed John C. Palmer's new two-family nouse on Main street. Thomas G. Wright has just completed Alexander Madden's new house on School street.

Plastering has commenced on the now house for Jesse Chapman in Pleasant Valley. The building will be ready for occupancy by the first of October, it is expected.

Somers .- Mr. and Mrs. George O. Hodges announce the engagement of their daughter, Pearl Josephine Hodges to Edward Joseph O'Donnell of Thompsonville, The marriage of Thompsonville, The will take place in January.

is the time to get ready to can peaches.
The abundant crop makes it possible indicate that on an average one may expect to get two eggs a day from a hen once for about each 20,000 eggs collected. Furthermore when this sort of thing happens it has been believed for the most part that the hen always laid one of the eggs very early in the morning and the other along towards evening. The Rhode Island Red in question however violated all was in the pen and an eye witness to Everyone found it hard to sleep the The ten leading pens to date are as

> Tom Barron, Catforth, near Preston, England, White Leghorns, 1731; F. M. Peasley, Cheshire, Conn., White Leghorns, 1714; Hillview Poultry Farm. St. Albans. Vt., Rhode Island Reds, St. Albans, Vt., Khode Island Reds, 1702; Windsweep Farm, Redding Ridge, Conn., White Leghorns, 1701; Ed Cam. Hoghton, near Preston, England, White Wyandottes, 1699; Tom Barron, Catforth, England, White Wyandottes, 1673; A. P. Robinson, Cal-verton, N. Y. White Leghorns, 1670; verton, N. Y., White Leghorns, 1670; N. W. Hendryx, New Haven, Conn., White Leghorns, 1596; Branford Farm, Groton, Conn. White Leghorns, 1590;

date are as follows, exempting the four

bove: Branford Farm, Groton, White Leghorns, 1555; A. S. Sonderegger, South Coventry, White Leghorns, 1525; George Bowles, Westport, White Leg-horns, 1477; Branford Farms, Groton, White Leghorns, 1460; Homer P. Deming, Winsted, Rhode Island Reds, 1457 Branford Farm, Groton, White Ply mouth Rocks, 1447; Springdale Poul-try Farm, Durham, Rhode Island Reds, 1439; Mrs. J. D. Beck, Canaan, White Wyandottes, 1369; Merritt M. Clark, Brookfield Center, Barred Plymouth Rocks, 1361; Uncowa Campine Yards, Southport, Silver Campines, 1350.

"BATTERING RAM" OF GERMAN ARMY



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County Improvement League Data

QUALITY IN BUTTER.

Much Responsibility Rests on the

dition has been noticed since the ad-

quality of cream is available. It is, however, impossible for the best of butter makers to make a sweet, whole-

some product from poor cream. Old, unclean cream not only ferments but often decomposes. And yet creamery butter makers are criticized because

they have not been able to make old and unclean cream into butter that

will pass as extra quality in the mar-

Much of the responsibility for the poor quality of butter today rests on the producer of cream. He alone is responsible for the quality of cream

that is furnished the butter maker Strong competition among the cream-eries rendering the creameryman fear-

ful of criticizing his patron's product, has been the cause of much of the poor cream of today, but the creamery patron is confronted with the fact that

markets the basis of creamery industry are becoming unsettled, because of the

the Quality of Cream.

Producer-Many Factors Influence

Cream. A clean, well-flavored milk is a

Clean, well-ventilated barn.
Clean, healthy cows.
Clean, well-drained barnyard.
Clean, healthy milkers.
Clean, utensile, free from rust.

ng conditions are necessary:

Conservative estimates class only about 10 per cent, of the butter produced today as fancy table butter, while the other 90 per cent, ranges from medium to very poor in quality. A gradual tendency toward this condition has been noticed since the ad-The cream separator should be thoroughly washed and sterlized after each time it is used. Particles of milk or cream left in the separator act as a "starter" to hasten the souring of the

only in the more recent years that its serious aspect has become evident. Be-fore the hand separator came into use it was customary to take the whole milk to the creamery daily in a fresh 3. The richness of the cream is a very important factor, for the best re-sults cream should contain from 30 to 33 per cent. of butter fat. Thin condition. But since creamery patrons have been enabled to separate their cream at home they are inclined to hold it too long, so that it often reaches the creamery in a fermented and decomposed state. Close students of deliving are considerably alarmed over cream sours much more quickly than thick cream; hence thick cream can be kept sweet with less difficulty than dairying are considerably alarmed over present-day conditions and feel that all those interested in dairying, whether as producers, manufacturers, or mer-chants, should cooperate fully and un-selfishly to remedy conditions that are

be kept sweet with less difficulty than thin cream. There is also less bulk to deliver to the creamery, more skimmed milk for feeding purposes, and the cream is in better form for the butter maker to handle.

4. The temperature of the cream for holding should be 50 degrees F., or lower if possible. Cream sours very rapidly at temperatures above 60 degrees F., hence it should be held at a temperature below that. When practicable, creamery patrons should have an ice supply to assist them in this causing poor quality.

The butter makers of today, as a whole-are much more capable of manufacturing first-class butter than were those of 10 or 15 wars ago. Modern methods and mach, ery and the results an ice supply to assist them in this of years of experience and investiga-tion have made it possible to manu-facture good butter, provided a good

5. The mixing of warm, fresh cream with cold cream is never advisable, as the whole mass is warmed thereby, and souring will follow more quickly. Always cool the newly separated cream before adding it to the cream on hand 6. If the cream is thoroughly stirred each time newly separated cream is added to that on hand, no lumps will form. The formation of lumps prevents proper sampling of cream for testing, and the patron is the loser thereby. Stirring also tends to keep the cream at an even temperature throughout, thus preventing parts of t from fermenting.

7. The atmosphere surrounding the cream should be free from any undesirable odors; hence the cream should be kept in a clean, well-ventilated place in order that odors may

not be taken up by it.

8. The protection of cream cans during hot weather is very important.
During delivery in the summer the in the future he will be the loser if he continues to dispose of poor cream through the creamery. The butter cans should be protected from the sun by covering with blankets in order that the temperature of the cream may not be raised more than is necessary influx of so much poor butter, and the Influx of so much poor butter, and the farmer need not be surprised if he is forced to receive a lower price, particularly for his low grade butter fat, than he has during more recent years. All the conditions governing the hot be raised more than is necessary.

The line was the conditions between deliveries of cream depend upon the season of the year. It should be delivered at that he conditions governing the three times in the summer. than he has during more recent years.
All the conditions governing the quality of cream are under the control

of the producer. Very little effort is required to improve ordinary condi-tions, so that a cream of the best qual-The first reason for having good milk cows on the farm comes from the fact that they provide the cheapest, best, and most wholesome food for the famity may be produced at all times. It will soon become evident to the dairyand most wholesome food for the tamily. Their value is hard to estimate
well played contest in which victory
when we consider the amount saved on
the bills. Their produce is a superior
substitute for many foods necessarily
their pacher, batted in the winning man that, from a financial point of view the little effort he exerts in pro-ducing a good cream is very profitable. Below will be found some directions substitute for many foods necessarily that will aid materially in assisting purchased at high prices. In fact, there the patron to improve the quality of is no economic way of doing without cream he is delivering to the creamery.

FIELD DAY BY

PLAYGROUNDS' CHILDREN 200 Participated In Events At Lake Street Ground-Also Sewing Ex-

About 200 children from the Falls, Greeneville and Lake street play-grounds participated in the field day Wednesday afternoon at the Lake street grounds where the programme began at 1:30 with a number of dances and games that were well carried out.

These included the following: Dance of Greeting; game, Farmer in the Dell; dance, Clapdance; game, Did You Ever See a Lassie?; dance, Merry Go-Round; Ribbon dance and Maypole dance.

dance.
These were followed by athletic events for the boys from all the play-grounds in the city. The results:
30-yard dash—lst E. Moran. Lake street; 2nd, O. Chase, Lake street; 3rd, G. Dingivan, Lake street.
Standing broad jump—G. Dingivan 7 ft. 1 in.; O. Chase, 6 ft. 6 1-2 in.; K. Ellis, 6 ft. 5 in.
Three jumps—G. Dingvan 21 ft. 4 1-2 in.; K. Ellis, 19 ft. 9 in.; J. Young, 16 ft. 7 in.
36-yd. dash, (junior)—1st, Hyman, Pearl street; 2nd Moran, Lake street; 3rd Chase, Lake street.
Junior relay race—Won by Lake street team—Dingvan, Appleby, Chase and E. Moran.
75-yd. dash, (senior)—1st. Heebner, Mt. Pleasant; 2nd. Williams, Lake street; 3rd. Carter, Greeneville.
Running broad jump—Williams, Lake street. Running broad jump—Williams, Lake street, 14 ft. 1 1-2 in.; C. Poole, Lake street, 13 ft. 9 in.; A. Heebner, Mt. Pleasant, 13 ft. 8 in. Prizes were awarded to the win-

The children enjoyed the see-saws The children enjoyed the see-saws baby swings, rope swings, sand boxes, slide and swimming pool.

The teachers in charge of the programme were: Miss Mary F. McKay, Supervisor; Miss Mary O'Connell, Miss Rosalie Reardon and Lawrence Stanley of Lake street and Miss Mae Shields of Falls playground

The judges for athletics were Lawrence Stanley and Leonard Hill.

There was music by a Columbia phonograph from Porteous & Mitcheil with special records from the Plaut-

with special records from the Plaut-Cadden Co.

The teachers who made the season

The teachers who made the season a success were: Miss McKay Supervisor; Miss Mary O'Connell, Miss Catherine Corcoran, Mrs. Adelaide McWilliams, Miss Mary Lee, Miss Gertrude Authier, Miss Rosalie Reardon, Miss Gladys Loudon, Miss Mae Shields, Miss Mae Graham, Miss Jane Mahoney, Miss Agnes McCloud, Miss Anna Sweet, Miss Rose Beckley, Miss Agnes Curran, Miss Mary Canty, Miss Agnes Curran, Miss Mary Canty, Miss Agnes Curran, Miss Mary Canty, Miss Alice Kilroy, Miss Sadie Driscoll, Alice Kilroy, Miss Sadie Driscoll.
Miss Katherine Casey, Miss Isabell
Leonard, Miss Helen McKenna, Miss
Mable Enos, Miss Madeline Perkins,
Miss Edith Thomas, Miss Agnes
Looby, Lawrence Stanley, Supervisor
of Boys' Athletics.

Lake Street Baseball Champions.
The closing event in the athletics was the championship baseball game between the Lake Street and Pearl Street playgrounds hines. It began at 2.30 and was a hard fought and well played contact in well played contact in the Thayer building of

The following were the lineups:
Lake Street: Pool c, Maynard p,
Zeraichi 1b, Croker rf. D. Moran ss. E.
Moran cf. Wilson lf. McKnight 3b,
Pearl Street: Zellinger c, Peterson
p, Phillips 1b, Carroll 2b, Downey 3b,
Heebner ss. Zimmerman rf. Carter of p, Phillips 1b, Carroll 2b, Downey 3b, Heebner ss, Zimmerman rf, Carter cf, Schwartzburg rf.

treated as a scout, some boy thinking he is a scout, he is told scouts' secrets, can he be compelled to give up or sell his suit?—P. R. M., Oklahoma. A. The use of the official uniform

A. The use of the official uniform and badges is restricted to members of our organization. A person who is not a member cannot legally wear them. The matter should be explained to the boy. When he understands that the wearing of the uniform may lead him into serious difficulties he will tinues to wear it, report the matter to national headquarters, which protects the rights and privileges of registered scouts. Some troops avoid such difficulties by earning the money to buy uniforms. When equipment is paid for out of the troop treasury, it remains the property of the troop and can be controlled more easily.

Q. Has any troop the right to add questions to the first and second class tests prescribed in the Handbook?—

Massachusetts, See the Handbook for Boys, 13th

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store in the Thayer building of the work in sewing, embroidery and bask-etry done by the girls. The exhibit had many visitors and much interest was show in the displays made by each playground on the big screens that had been arranged. Each of the five playgrounds—Greeneville, Mt. Pleasant Street, Falls, Lake Street and Thamesville, had its work shown on

Prives were awarded by the judges who were Miss Huntington, Mrs. Thomas B. Leahy and, Miss Mary

sewing case.

Train Service with Galveston Resumed Galveston, Texas, Sept. 1,-Train service between Gaiveston and the main land was established today over a trestle which has been built since the tropical storm of August 16-17, when the causeway was badly damaged. All railroads have lifted the embargo against freight for Galveston It is considered likely another trestle

Ten Per Cent. Wage Increase.

Hershey, Pa., Sept. 1.-Notices were shey Chocolate company, announcing a ten per cent. increase in wages to all pieceworkers. About 1,200 employes are affected.

Danbury.—That the new playground in Balmforth Avenue schoolyard is popular is proved by the figures for the attendance at the playground for edition (revised), page 59, section entitled "Examinations for Scout Tests." one week. The figures show that the playground was used by 1,326 children in one week.

> SYRACUSE SPENDS NIGHT ON . HOUSE-TOPS. SYRACUSE, N. Y., July 18. - A gigantic figure 7 was seen all last night in the sky between here and Oneida. Later it turned slowly into a question mark. All Onondaga and Oneida Counties on trail of that 7th point. Public mass meeting called for this afternoon at state fair grounds.



Sterling Gum
The 7-point gum
PEPPERMINT - RED WRAPPER

1 West?

ke this which discourages many others rom keeping such records. It is time that the dairymen keep ccurate records of all lines of milk roduction as competition is continuily lessening the margin of profit and niess efficiently produced the margin till be a minus quantity.

SELLING THE HENS.

At this time of the year it is very mportant that poultry men should now which hens to sell to the butcher nd which would be profitable produc-rs for a second year. The trap nest is ne only method of obtaining an accutte record of a hen's performance as the number of oggs she has laid and then she laid them. But fortunately hen she laid them. But fortunately here are several methods by which igh producing hens can be identified flich for all practical purposes are early as a stinfactory as the trap nest. One of the surest indications of high roducing power is late molting. The arlier a hen molts the lower is her early egg production, so that a ouliryman who uses this method of electing alone and selects all of his ng alone and selects all of his that start to molt before Sepmber 20 will not come far from keepig the very best producers. It is much stier to be able to find the poor pro-

it you want clean hands-

AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS ducers as soon as they stop laying, which is often two to four weeks before the molt begins. It costs 10c to 15c to board a hen that length of time, which in a large flock means a considerable wedgeton.

siderable reduction in the profit to be obtained. There are certain external characterthe spent on work which is not only inprofitable but also prevents one from pending time along lines which are profitable. It is nearly time to legs and condition of comb. It is a fin thinking about putting stock of the barn for the winter and beto feed them the crops which have to feed them the crops which have oped combs, and that they start to so harvested under considerable difthinking about putting stock well-established fact that hens that are laying have large, red, well-developed combs, and that they start to shrink and shrivel up as soon as the bird stops laying. Any person familiar with fowls can go into a flock and pick refully the elimination from their the hens that are laying by this method.

rds of those individuals which are When they are caught the color of the To do this one should have had a easily be observed. Thousands of trap nest records have shown that the ecord of her past experience. The nly way of telling accurately is by shanks of birds which are as pullets bright yellow and dark gray become fany, however, have not these records pale and almost white in proportion out claim that they know how much to their egg production. In other airymen who have such ability should nake use of it soon and dispose of hose that have not come upto their spectations. It is recummended that his fall and winter records he kent always most late with all and since the soon as they stop laying. It will be observed that hens with pale shanks always most late white his fall and winter records he kent always most late white his fall and winter records he kent always most late white his description. mpectations. It is recommended that his fall and winter, records be kept it fill milk production from each individual. The league will furnish record Feathers and skin also become pale lanks to those who desire to keep or fade as the bird continues to lay danks to those who desire to keep abulations. Once begun they are selom given up as their value is realized ear lobes it will be found that those

re kept. It is usually the farmer who kept. It is usually the farmer who never kept records who claims that while those which are large in size and chall the in color are always is not necessary. It is information and challon the high producers.

Whether a hen is actually laying or not is usually indicated by the distance not is usually indicated by the distance not is usually indicated by the distance not in the notation of to the acre, and on poor soils a heavlet susually indicated by the distance
between the two pelvic bones, also the
distance between the pelvic bones and
the end of the keel bone. If the pelvic
bones are hard and rigid and so close
together that no more than two fingers

To the acre, and on poor soils a heavier seeding would be very desirable.
This crop can be plowed under the following spring and while it has acted
as a cover crop it will act as a green
manuring crop also to add organic
material to the soil together that no more than two fingers can be placed between them and only three fingers below them without touching the keel, the hen has stopped laying. On the other hand, the pelvic bones in a beau in the pink of condition and laying with he wide another like. hose Who Know Select the Non-Layers by Scientific Plan and Kill will be wide apart and plia

eveloped and will be nearly a hand's

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FRUIT AND VEGETABLES, Being Put Up For Table Use During

Winter-Peaches Just Now. "This is the season when every woman who has been fortunate as to be simply reared, who knows the joy of working with her hands, feels an overwhelming desire to get into the kitchen and 'put up' fruit and vege-tables for the family table during the

Never before has there been such a Never before has there been such a nation-wide campaign advocating greater use of fruit and vegetables throughout the year. The dietetic value of fruits is recognized and the economical housewife is storing her shelves with fruits of all varieties. In canning fruit she is planning to keep her medicine chest empty and her children's cheeks ruddy and her whole household in a healthy condition. Now

Hartford.—The annual outing of Ehlers. They have completed the the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage on hist noor and dustrict the kitchen on the storage of historical the kitchen on the storage of historical

which will prevent erosion. Fields have crop live over winter, but it is desira-

material to the soil.

Well Bunched and Only Nine Weeks

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The portry adviser of the league only nine weeks to go. In spite of the only ni fifth place to fourth.

> second with a production of 52 during the week while four pens, namely: the storrs Station's sour milk pen of White Wyandottes, also their sour milk pen of White Leghorns, Dr. N. W. San-born's Buff Wyandottes from Holden, Mass. and Hillview Poultry Farm's Rhode Island Reds from St. Albans, Vt., all tied for third place with 50 eggs

The official announcement from Berlin that the army of General von Beseler, released by the fail of Novogeorgiewsk, has been dispatched to the north wing of the front and has appeared opposite Friedrichstadt, on the Dvina, between Riga and Dvinsk, aroused much interest in London. class scouts, they having learned quite a few of the requirements.

Troop No. 4's Camp.

Troop No. 4 spent the second week of August camping at Mumford's cove, near Groton Long Point. The party, numbering 20, left Norwich in Mt. Baker's launch Winnie, at 10.30 and landed at what was to be the camp at 2 p. m. As the large boat could not get near shore, the baggage and transported to shore, where the scouts who had been already landed waited. They paked it up the hill to the state of the second proposition of the national organization are starting to the morning until 5 in the Roxers. First prize in embroidered waits, third prize to Miss Grace Young, canter piece; all from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions calculated from the north star, and the other directions during the country of the results of the transported to store, where the second prize to Miss Boxers.

A. At night, north can be located from that the sum rises in the east and sets in the west will enable one to approximately locate directions during the day. Also see Boys' Handbook, p. The prize to Miss At night, north can be located from the north star, and the other directions during the country of the second prize t In the meantime these peaches should be made use of on the table while they are in season. Many methods of using this fruit are known by

WHAT THE BOY SCOUTS ARE DOING

first night and were up before the sun the next morning, but as the week were on they got used to it and slept Squads were appointed to different tasks such as collecting firewood, carrying water, airing bedding and tents and keeping the camp in good order, A fine spring and plenty of good firewood were right at hand. The cooking was done in a stove, which was found in an old shed, and two fireplaces. The meals, prepared by Mr. Baker, could not have been any better and everyone did full justice to them. frequent trips being necessary to New London for more supplies.

Hikes were taken to Poquonnoc and Bushy Point and signalling was practiced on the hills behind the camp. A good deal of time was devoted to swimming, boating and baseball. Wdenesday was visitors' day, and Mr. Baker met the visitors at New London and brought them to Camp Rough-It. A clam chowder was made for 30, which called everybody into service. The visitors brought cakes and fruit, which just touched the spot. The scouts were grouped together and had their pictures taken, after

which they entertained with scout Thursday night it rained and a few found themselves lying in puddles. Friday everyone went to Ocean Beach for a few hours.

Saturday and the party arrived in Norwich at 3 p. m. Each scout carried a knife, fork, spoon, cup, two blankets, two towels, a box of matches, a tooth brush, comb and brush and a piece of soap,

The following scouts have made application to the scout commissioner for second class examinations: Troop No. 3: Donald Robinson and Benjamin Covey, semaphore signalling; Jonathan Johnson, tracking and pacing.
Troop No. 6: Charles Haddad, cooking: George Wallen, fire lighting and tracking: Norman Himes, pacing and knife and hatchet.

Applications for Examinations.

Troop No. 3. A preliminary meeting was held last week in preparation for the coming fall activities. On Saturday a number of the members went with Scout-master Avery for a swim at Mohegan Troop No. 4.

The regular meeting of Troop No. 4 was held Aug. 19th. Transaction of regular business was followed by a vote of thanks to those who made the outing at Groton Long Point a success.

According to the according t According to the statements of a few scouts, it will not be long before Froop No. 4 has one or more second

Scouts' Questions Answered. Can a troop change the age limit s joining members from 12 to 14

that they have the approval of the scoutmaster and troop committee. It

A. If a boy wants to join the Boy couts of America and he doesn't know of any troop near him, he should write to national headquarters asking for the name of the nearest scoutmaster. National headquarters will ask the nearest scoutmaster to let the boy join als troop, even though he cannot attend the troop meetings more than once or twice a year. Of course, the "Lone Scout" will have to learn the work by himself from the handbook, with the assistance of letters from the scoutmaster and from national headquarters. He will have to arrange with the scoutmaster to take his examinations at such times as he can go to the headquarters of the troop.
Q. In time of war, would a Boy

Scout be called upon to enter the field and take part in the actual firing?— Scout H. J. F., Conn. A. No. The Boy Scouts of America is a non-military organization and its members are subject to no military duty except that which might be ex-

pected of any American citizen in a national emergency. Q. In some books I have read I have seen the statement that two smoke signals indicate distress. In the Hand-book for Boys there is a statement that three smoke signals indicate dis-Which is correct?-Scout S. B.

Maryland. A. According to the ethnological re-port of the United States government, During the week a good deal of nring from Fort Wright could be heard.
The flash and smoke could be seen a
half minute before the report was
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almost invariably a call for help, a cry
distress, or a notice that something serious has happened, or is about to happen. Keep three in your mind for danger.—Dan Beard.

Q. Will you please tell me whether the Keen Kutter boy scout axe is offi-cial or not? Must the scoutmaster sign orders for articles such as the official whistle?-Scout L. H., Illin A. The Keen Kutter axe, and that manufactured by Plumb, are the official scout axes. All orders for official equipment of any kind must be signed by the scoutmaster.

Q. Does the blazing arrow patrol have a call? If a scout has his uniform and his troop disbands, is a scout allowed to keep and wear his uniform?
—Scout O. T., Texas.

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A. A whizzing sound may be used as the call for a blazing arrow patrol. A registered scout is entitled to wear his uniform as long as he is a member of a registered troop. If a troop disbands, any scout who wishes to remain in the organization should notify national headquarters at once, in order that he may be connected with another.

period, does he get someone to take his place temporarily, or does he lose it altogether?—Scout F. B., Michigan, A. Until he is removed by the scoutmaster or his successor is elected or appointed.

This matter is in the hands of the

scoutmaster.
Q. Please explain the first class re